

## House Resolution No. 4639

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize Calumet Church, which will commemorate the resplendent occasion of its One Hundred Fiftieth Anniversary in 2007; and

**Whereas**, officially organized in 1857, Calumet Church became affiliated with the Salt River Presbytery in 1858, a part of the Cumberland Presbyterian organization, and was organized by pastor the Reverend M.M. Tucker with charter members Susan Boyd, Malinda Butts, Rachael Estes, James W. Griffith, Ellinor Griffith, Cyrus Mackey, Charlotte Mackey, Matthew Meadows, John Turner, Martha Turner, Malinda Venable, Mary Venable, and Sarah Wilcoxen; and

**Whereas**, one of the oldest churches in Pike County, Calumet Church was reorganized in 1886 and a new church building was completed; and

**Whereas**, during its rich history, the congregation of Calumet Church has been abundantly blessed with the guidance of many pastors who include James W. Campbell, S.G. Dechard, J.F. Lackey, R.D. Smith, John R. Patton, J.B. White, G.M.C. Oakes, T.S. Matthews, R.O. Elmore, C.P. Lovelace, M.R. Dougherty, W.F. Randolph, Clay Davis, Stephen B. Rybolt, Leslie Thurston, Herbert Loring, Paul Lynne, Ken Churchill, Ronald McNeill, Ann M. Jones, and Michael Mason, who has served as pastor since 1992; and

**Whereas**, Calumet Church boasts a roster of forty-three dedicated members, yet fills its sanctuary to standing-room-only during special events; and

**Whereas**, Calumet has always served as a community church, welcoming those of all faiths, and has kept active in the lives of its members over the years by establishing lasting traditions including carry-in dinners, an annual fish fry, the Community Christmas Eve service, the Women's Missionary Society, and the Sunday School program; and

**Whereas**, the most important tradition of Calumet Church is the generous service it provides to the local community and the activities it sponsors which radiate God's love to all the world:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Pastor Mason and to the entire congregation of Calumet Church upon this very special anniversary event; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Calumet Church.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Terry L. Witte  
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 4639, adopted September 5, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker